One of the largest industries, tourism reveals how rapidly the world is globalizing. This course approaches international tourism critically and historically in relation to other kinds of mobility at various scales, like commuting, shopping, pilgrimage, colonialism, migration, and space travel. We explore how tourism always entails an exotic sense of place, as well as how it derives from environmental differences and economic and technological inequalities. As the negative ecological and social impacts of tourism become obvious, significant demands are posed on its practices and policy. Investigating the landscapes and economies of cars, planes, beaches, parks, malls, and museums, we come to appreciate the unique ethical challenges tourism poses for global society and the planet. Gaining a geographical understanding of mobility requires a range of skills, from the close reading of a comic book to field trips, from Moodle discussions to analyzing maps, from “reading” souvenirs to finding official data. On the way you will learn of places like Bangkok, the Australian outback, Mecca, Goa, Dubai and the Congo. Our ultimate destination is an informed and critical ethics of travel.